

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **H3296**

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| TO: | The Honorable Daniel T. "Dan" Cooper, Chairperson, House Ways and Means Committee | | |
| FROM: | Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board | | |
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| SUBJECT: | School Operational Budgets | | |

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

House Bill 3296 provides that at least sixty-five (65) percent of the education operational budget of each school district must be used for classroom instruction. No portion of the sixty-five (65) percent may be used for bureaucratic purposes. The Bill further provides that each school district must report to the State Department of Education (SDE) by August first of each year the actual percentage of its education operational budget that the school district used for classroom instruction for the previous school year.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The State Department of Education indicates this Bill will have no fiscal impact for that agency or the local school districts.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

SDE notes that school districts would likely not be able to meet the August first deadline for submission of expenditure data as established by Section 59-17-160 (B) of the Bill. Section 59-17-100 currently requires school district audit report to be submitted by December first following the close of the fiscal year.

Approved by:



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